

Tuesday, June 13, 2000

STS-106 crew named for mission in early September



Outstanding employees recognized by Astronaut Corps



▲ **Mission Update:** Ground support crews are working steadily to turn Atlantis around for consecutive servicing missions to the International Space Station. Set to launch in early September, STS-106 will be led by Terrence W. Wilcutt a veteran of three previous missions. Scott Altman will serve as pilot on his second space flight.

Mission Specialists include Edward Tsang Lu, Yuri Malenchenko, Boris W. Morukov, Richard Mastracchio and Daniel C. Burbank.

▲ **Jerry Ross Presents Snoopy Awards:** On June 8, Astronaut Jerry Ross presented the prestigious Silver Snoopy Award to five KSC employees. Recipients of this Space Flight Awareness award were Ron Hunt, Joe Prann and Bruce Stitt, Space Gateway employees, and Al Parrish and Abe Negron, both of the NASA ISS/Payload Processing & Space Station Hardware Integration Office.

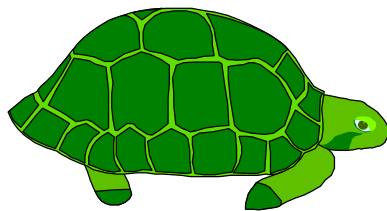
◆ **Hurricane Awareness Training To Be Re-Broadcast on Channel 60** – Employees wishing to view the Annual Hurricane Awareness Training that was presented on May 24 in the NASA Training Auditorium can see it on Channel 60 each Thursday at 11:30 a.m., 8:30 p.m. and 3:30 a.m.

◆ **Reminder:** The Space Coast Chapter of FEW is celebrating its 30th anniversary as a chapter with an Annual Installation of Officers and Awards dinner on June 20 at the Doubletree Oceanfront Hotel in Cocoa Beach. Social begins at 6 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost of dinner is \$18. For reservations or additional information, please contact Clara Anderson, 639-3154, or Karin Biega, 867-6382.

◆ **KSC Fitness Centers Adds Two Classes For "Desktop Yoga":** This new and innovative form of yoga can help solve everyday problems. At the seminar, you will learn easy breathing techniques and yoga exercises that can be done at your desk. This seminar will be held from 11 a.m. to noon on the four dates listed below. Please call 867-7829 to sign up.

- ◆ Tuesday, June 27 – OSB, room 4318
- ◆ Wednesday, June 28 – HQ, room 1471
- ◆ Thursday, July 6 – SSPF, room 2048
- ◆ Friday, July 7 -- Logistics Bldg., room 2548

◆ **Did You Know?** The beaches at Kennedy Space Center are among North America's most important nesting sites for sea turtles. Every year, hundreds of loggerhead and Florida green sea turtles lumber ashore at night to lay their nests. In populated areas, artificial lights confuse nesting female sea turtles and can disorient hatchlings, who use the



light of the horizon to direct them to the sea. Once disoriented, these hatchlings become lost in the vegetation and may die from dehydration as well as predation.

Help preserve these species by turning unnecessary lights out from May 1 until Oct. 31. Remember, if a light fixture can be seen from the beach, it has the potential to harm these animals. For further information, contact Mario Mota at 867-4220. ★

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